

BOROUGH OF HASBROUCK HEIGHTS

MINUTES

March 13, 2007

A Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Hasbrouck Heights was held on March 13, 2007 at 8:10 p.m. at Borough Hall, 320 Boulevard, Hasbrouck Heights, NJ.

Borough Clerk Rose Marie Sees stated that the meeting complied with the Sunshine law, adequate notice of this meeting having been made to all members of the Council by personal service on January 2, 2007 and transmitted to The Observer, The Record and The Herald News on January 2, 2007.

ROLL CALL: Present: Mayor Ronald R. Jones, Councilman Justin A. DiPisa, Councilman Leonard Introna, Councilwoman Carol J. Skiba, Councilwoman Maryetta Saccomano, Councilman Anthony DiNanno, Councilman Stephen Altobelli

Absent: None

SALUTE TO THE FLAG AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Mayor Jones led in the Salute to the Flag and Pledge of Allegiance.

INVOCATION: A prayer was read by Councilman DiPisa, that had originally been prepared by Father James Whelan. He noted Father Whelan was being transferred to St. Lawrence's Parish in Weehawken as administrator.

COMMUNICATIONS: 1) Letter from Mayor's Committee on Community Celebrations inviting Mayor and Council to Annual Easter Egg Hunt on March 31 at 10 a.m. at Athletic Field.

2) Letter from Senator Joseph Coniglio requesting any special projects to be brought to his attention by April 1.

3) Letter from Lisa P. Jackson, Commissioner of NJ DEP announcing fiscal year 2007 allocation of \$11,598.08 under Clean Communities Program

4) Letter from Councilwoman Saccomano regarding post medical benefits.

COMMUNICATIONS (cont'd):

5) Letter from Shawn K. Laurenti, Director of Government and Community Relations of the Port Authority of NY and NJ

6) Copy of Letter from Councilman Skiba to John Molinelli, B.C. Prosecutor Requesting an Investigation of Sunshine Act Violations

Items #4 and #5 were read in full (Copies attached). Item #6 was presented by Councilwoman Skiba and added to Communications list (Copy attached).

With regard to Item #5, Mayor Jones asked Councilman DiNanno to spearhead a committee to continue working on obtaining this field for recreation use.

With regard to Item #2, council members were requested to submit ideas for projects to be presented to Senator Coniglio. This would be discussed further in the work session.

On a motion by Councilwoman Skiba, seconded by Councilwoman Saccomano, and unanimously carried, the foregoing Communications were accepted.

PETITIONS: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: (January 9, 2007 Work Session, January 17, 2007 Special Meeting, January 23, 2007 Special Meeting)

BILLS:

BE IT RESOLVED that the claims and accounts amounting to \$1,918,997.04 specified in the schedule hereto annexed, having been examined and approved by the Finance Commissioner, or his Deputy, be paid and that warrants be issued therefor.

Signed Leonard Introna
Commissioner of Finance

On a motion by Councilman DiPisa, seconded by Councilwoman Saccomano and unanimously carried, the foregoing Resolution was approved.

NEW BUSINESS

CONSENT AGENDA: 44. Raffle License for Corpus Christi Church Rosary Society

45. Authorizing Borough Clerk to Advertise for Bids for Radio Maintenance

CONSENT AGENDA (cont'd):

On a motion by Councilwoman Skiba, seconded by Councilwoman Saccomano, and unanimously carried, the foregoing Consent Agenda Resolutions were approved (Copies attached).

- RESOLUTIONS:**
- 46. Payroll
 - 47. Dog Licenses - Payment of Fees to State
 - 47. Authorizing Execution of the NJ DEP Treatment Works Approval Application for the Construction of Oldfield Avenue Homes Sanitary Sewer Main
 - 47. Authorizing Advertisement of Bids for Parking Lot on Corner of Central Avenue and the Boulevard

On a motion by Councilwoman Skiba, seconded by Councilman DiPisa, and unanimously carried, the foregoing Resolutions were approved (Copies attached).

- APPOINTMENTS:**
- Jennifer A. Bishop to Fire Department Ambulance Auxiliary
 - Joseph Fadden to Recreation Programs Advisory Committee
 - Joseph Fadden to Special Task Force for Gary Depken Field
 - Louis Napolitano, M.D., as Borough Examining Doctor
 - Thomas Bellavia, M.D., as Borough Examining Doctor
 - Mark Delcalzo, D.C., as Borough Examining Doctor
 - David F. Porter, D.O., as Borough Examining Doctor
 - Michael Shustyk, D.C., as Borough Examining Doctor
 - Paul E. Kovatis, M.D., as Borough Examining Doctor

On a motion by Councilman DiPisa, seconded by Councilman DiNanno and unanimously carried, the foregoing Appointments were approved.

- RESIGNATIONS:**
- Fred Blake from Recreation Programs Advisory Committee
 - Michael Finn from H.H. Fire Department Engine Co. Two

On a motion by Councilman Introna, seconded by Councilwoman Skiba, and unanimously carried, the foregoing Resignations were accepted with regret.

ORDINANCE(S) ON INTRODUCTION: None

ORDINANCE(S) ON PUBLIC HEARING:

Mayor Jones opened the Public Hearing on Ordinance No. 2154. There being no one wishing to speak, the Public Hearing was closed.

ORDINANCE NO. 2152:

BE IT RESOLVED that an Ordinance entitled: **“AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 275-16 ENTITLED “YARD REGULATIONS” OF CHAPTER 275 ENTITLED “ZONING” OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF HASBROUCK HEIGHTS AND TO SUPPLEMENT SUBSECTION A ENTITLED “ACCESSORY STRUCTURES AND USES IN RESIDENTIAL DISTRICTS” OF SECTION 275-21 ENTITLED “REGULATIONS GOVERNING CERTAIN ACCESSORY STRUCTURES AND USES” OF CHAPTER 275 ENTITLED “ZONING” OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF HASBROUCK HEIGHTS SO AS TO ALLOW DECKS THAT EXCEED A HEIGHT OF THREE FEET OVER THE NATURAL GRADE UNDER CERTAIN LIMITED CIRCUMSTANCES**” be now passed on second and final reading and the Borough Clerk be and is hereby authorized and directed to publish said Ordinance, same to be published in The Observer, a newspaper circulating and published in the Borough of Hasbrouck Heights.

On a motion by Councilwoman Saccomano, seconded by Councilman Introna, and unanimously carried, the foregoing Ordinance was approved.

MISCELLANEOUS FROM PUBLIC:

Mayor Jones opened the meeting to the public for anyone wishing to speak.

Robert Maher, 221 Myers Avenue, asked to have the Route 46 corridor cleaned up as he felt it was a serious site obstruction. He asked if this could be done on a yearly basis. The State Department of Transportation was to be contacted, as well as DPW periodic clean up, barring any liability issues.

Christian Semenech, 415 Jefferson Avenue, presented a plastic bag containing vials and plastic gloves which he had found behind the Hackensack University Medical Center property located on Terrace Avenue. He had filed a complaint with Property Maintenance.

There being no one else wishing to speak, the public hearing was closed.

WORK SESSION:

Mayor Jones announced that the meeting would continue to Work Session, to which he invited all present to stay.

ADJOURN:

There being no further business to be conducted by the Mayor and Council, the meeting was adjourned at 8:34 p.m.

I, ROSE MARIE SEES, Borough Clerk of the Borough of Hasbrouck Heights, do hereby certify that the foregoing Minutes are to the best of my knowledge a true account of the Mayor and Council Meeting held on March 13, 2007.

Rose Marie Sees, RMC
Borough Clerk